Bible & Daily Living

The suffering servant's work

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THE SUFFERING SERVANT'S WORK
Lesson for February 12, 1984
Bible Study Passages - Isaiah 43:1-4; 49-5-6; 53:4-6
Introduction

Isaiah is pregnant with images of the "Suffering Servant." The message of Isaiah is one of hope and expectation. The expectations of many Jews centered around the hopes for a military leader who would mastermind a victory over Israel's enemies.

Speaking of expectations, most of us live with certain hopes about life. Everyone hopes for something or in someone. And we know that we do not always get what we hope for. At times our expectatons reach far beyond reality, but we cling to hope nevertheless.

The opposite of hope is despair, a sense that there is little to live for or little chance for life to get better. Hope means clinging to life despite the setbacks and chaos.

Much of the time we have to take what comes. What we see is oftentimes what we get.

This week's lesson will focus upon the "Suffering Servant" motif in Isaiah. We will see how Jesus fits this motif in his life and ministry. We will see once again the way suffering servanthood is translated into a Savior.

Servant Vs Slave [Isaiah 42:1-6]

In Old Testament usage "servant" describes the role Israel is to play in relationship to God. Isaiah's use of servant describes a unique individual rather than a nation of people.

The servant in Isaiah would come carrying a pastoral staff rather than a sword. His style would not be that of military splendor but a spirit of compassion to the poor and needy. His concerns will be with justice rather than power and might.

Servant With A Mission [Isaiah 49:1-6]

Other interpreters have tried to tie the suffering servant motif in Isaiah to the nation or to the prophet himself. But such an effort runs into trouble because the interpreter must reconcile the New Testament description of Jesus' suffering. The parallels are much too similar to think Isaiah is talking about himself or the nation. None other can mirror the Isaiah portrait of suffering than Jesus.

The suffering servant in Isaiah was to come to be in service to others. Christians are called by Christ to serve others, even though they may meet with personal suffering.

The Servant Who Saves [Isaiah 53:4-6]

The passage stands out for many as the crowning "servant song" in Isaiah. Both Old and New Testament writers followed the belief that suffering was the direct result of sin. (Read John 9:2) This belief was widespread in the days of Isaiah and Jesus. It was thought that when suffering was present you could rest assured that sin was close at hand. Thus, the crucifixion of Jesus was just because he obviously had committed sin.

But the Gospels make clear that Jesus did not suffer for his sins but for the sins of others. He took up his place upon the cross to die that we might have life both abundant and eternal.

Many have questioned the integrity of the Bible. Many have challenged its authority. Christians affirm the Bible as the authoritative Word of God. We can quibble over who wrote what and even find a few errors, but this never changes the Bible's firm rootage in God as the divine author written by human instruments.

Class members may talk about ways a person might suffer persecution for their faith in today's world.

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Jordan church news

The Young Adult Choir will meet Tuesday, Feb. 7, at 7 p.m.

The Senior Choir will practice Thursday, Feb. 9, at 7:30 p.m., with Mrs. Robert Womack.

The regular preaching service will be held the second Sunday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

On the third Sunday in February, at 3 p.m. the C.E.J. Singers will be in concert at Jordan. This program is being sponsored by the Gospel Harmonettes.

The Senior Choir will be celebrating their 33rd anniversary on the fourth Sunday in February at 6:30 p.m. The Faithful Five of Phenix will be in concert for this program.

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Canaan church news notes

The regular worship service will be held at Canaan Baptist Church Feb. 12 at 11:30 a.m. The Rev. C. L. Elliott will be pastor in charge.

The Young Adult Choir will be in charge of the music. Everyone is invited to come and worship with the congregation.

We are praying for the sick and the shut-in.

Obituaries

Rev. Spurgeon Warner Austin

Spurgeon W. Austin was born in Appomattox County, Virginia, August 1, 1899, and departed this life in University Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, January 28, 1984. He was the seventh of ten children, born to the late Rev. Edward J. and Margaret Austin. He professed faith in Christ at an early age, and was a member in good standing of Jordan Baptist Church, Appomattox County, Virginia, until he moved to Columbus, Ohio, April 15, 1922.

He was united in holy matrimony to Miss Bertha Irene Bates, March 4, 1927, with whom he lived happily until his passing. He was an employee of the Pullman Company for many years. He was ordained to the gospel ministry. He spent years in study to be fully prepared for an effective ministry.

He founded the Jordan Baptist Church, Columbus, Ohio, May 1, 1960, and served as its pastor until his decease. He was a member of Refuge Baptist Church, the Baptist Ministers' Conference, and of the Free and Accepted Order of Masons.

His survivors are a devoted wife, Mrs. Irene Austin; one sister, Mrs. Susie L. Jones, Great Neck, New York; two brothers, Corey R. Austin, Appomattox, Va.; Finis H. Austin, Toledo, Ohio; two sisters-in-law; four nephews; four nieces; and many other relatives, neighbors, and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at Jordan Baptist Church, February 1, 1984, Rev. Parham officiating. The eulogy was delivered by Rev. Hairston. interment was in Columbus, Ohio, February 2, 1984. Wayne Lee Funeral Home was in charge.

Howell Lee Foust

Howell Lee Foust, 74, of McCausland Ridge Apartments, No. 43, Lynchburg, Va., died Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1984, at his residence. He was the husband of Geneva Huggins Foust.

Born in Knoxville, Tenn., he was a son of the late James M. Foust and Ella Clements Foust. He was a member of Lee Street Baptist Church in Danville.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three sons, Billy Foust, Altavista, Wayne Foust, Newport, R.I., and Horace Foust, Lynchburg; a daughter, Patricia Foust, Lynchburg; seven brothers, George Foust, South Carolina, and Bobby Foust, Danville; two sisters, Pauline F. Jackson and Katherine F. Mitchell, both of Reidsville, N.C.; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Barbara Foust Dugger Jacobs.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Thursday in Whitten Park Avenue Chapel by the Revs. Llewellyn Wade and David Camden. Interment was in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

Whitten Park Avenue Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Wyatt Clinton Hamlett

Wyatt Clinton Hamlett, 77, of 210 Ramp Road, Hurt, died at 9:12 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, in Lynchburg General Hospital.

Born in Charlotte County Feb. 1, 1906, he was a son of the late Floyd Hamlett and Virginia Johnson Hamlett. He was a member of Mount Carmel United Methodist Church and was the husband of the late Mary Scott Hamlett.

He is survived by two sons, William Hamlett, Lynchburg, and Morrison Hamlett, Altavista; four daughters, Mrs. Ida Mae Clay, Nathalie, Mrs. Shirley Tuck, Altavista, Mrs. Hazel Hancock, Hurt, and Mrs. Fannie Rose, Temple, Tex.; two brothers, Percy Hamlett, Phenix, and Freddie Hamlett, Lynchburg; three sisters, Mrs. Rena Thompson, Appomattox, Mrs. Gracie Saunders, Lynchburg, and Mrs. Hailey Turner, Knoxville, Tenn.; 10 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at Mount Carmel United Methodist Church by the Revs. James Worley and Donald Collins.

Finch and Finch Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Frances Snell Hunter

Mrs. Frances Snell Hunter, 62, of Route 1, Appomattox, died early Sunday morning, Feb. 5, 1984, in Lynchburg General Hospital.

Born in Charlotte County, she was the daughter of the late Olney Elliott Snell and Ida Hancock Snell. She was a member of Concord Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by her husband, John Thomas Hunter, Sr.; five children, John T. Hunter, Jr, Appomattox, Va.; Finis H. Austin, Toledo, Ohio; two sisters-in-law; four nephews; four nieces; and many other relatives, neighbors, and friends.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Concord Presbyterian Church by the Rev. James Thompson and the Rev. Reggie Warren. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Robinson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Verlie Carwile Pentecost

Verlie Carwile Pentecost, 90, of Route 1, Brookneal, died Monday morning, Jan. 23, 1984, at Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Born in Campbell County, Dec. 23, 1893, she was the daughter of the late R. S. Carwile and Ellen May Carwile.

She was a member of Union Hill Baptist Church and a former teacher. She was a member of the late Hunter W. Pentecost.

She is survived by two brothers, Henry Carwile and Frank Carwile, both of Brookneal; two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Fleshman, Red House, and Mrs. Odell Coleman, Danville; and 20 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Union Hill Baptist Church by the Rev. Wayne Underwood. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Henderson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Willie C. Roach

Willie C. Roach, 88, of Phenix, died at his home Saturday afternoon, Feb. 4, 1984.

He was born in Charlotte County Nov. 7, 1895, a son of the late Jacob Roach and Mary Gaines Roach. He was a member of Phenix Presbyterian Church, where he was a former elder. He was a retired farmer and was the husband of the late Gertrude Coleman Roach.

He is survived by four sons, Stanley Roach, Appomattox, Gibbs Roach, Hughesville, Md., and Luther Roach and Marshall Roach, both of Phenix; one daughter, Mrs. Dorothy R. Harris, Phenix; 10 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at 2 p.m. at Phenix Presbyterian Church, with burial following in the Roach family cemetery at Phenix.

Henderson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements

Mrs. Stella Turner Rose

Mrs. Stella Turner Rose of 1823 Union St., Lynchburg, Va., departed this life Monday evening, Jan. 30 in Lynchburg General Hospital. She was the wife of the late Leon Rose.

She was born in Campbell County, daughter of the late Joe Turner and Della Turner. She was a member of White Rock Baptist Church and Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by a son, Joe Rose of Baltimore, Md.; a stepson, Eddie Rose of Lynchburg; two daughters, Miss Ethel Rose of Lynchburg and Mrs. Daisy Cardwell, Concord; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Mary Megginson of Lynchburg; two brothers, Lee West, Baltimore, Md. and James Turner of Concord; a sister, Mrs. Lucy Robinson of Baltimore; four grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and a host of nephews, nieces, many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 4, at 2 p.m. at White Rock Baptist Church, with the Rev. E. R. Berryman officiating. Interment was in Forest Hill Cemetery.

Community Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Denver Wilson

Mrs. Almeda Johnson Wilson, 72, of 2917 Langhorne Road, Lynchburg, died Friday in Virginia Baptist Hospital. She was the widow of Denver Wilson.

She was born in Dickenson County, the daughter of the late Roby Johnson and Rachel Southland Johnson. She was a retired employee of Howard Johnson's Restaurant and a member of Garden Chapel Church in Blountville, Tenn.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Clyde (Marie) Bondurant, of Concord, Mrs. David (Lola) Merkey of Madison Heights and Mrs. William (Faye) Farrar of Lynchburg; seven sons, Richard L. Wilson, James H. Wilson, Ralph B. Wilson, Charles E. Wilson, Guy E. Wilson and Jerry C. Wilson, all of Lynchburg, and Larry E. Wilson of Madison Heights; two sisters, Mrs. Virginia Smith of Kingsport, Tenn., and Mrs. Ada Frazier of Bristol; two brothers, the Rev. Judge B. Johnson of Mocksville, N.C.,* and Corbett Johnson of Harrisonburg; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was conducted from Diuguid Waterlock Chapel Saturday at 2 p.m. by the Rev. H. B. Enochs. Interment was in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

Diuguid Waterlock Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

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Galilee church news notes

"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor. Romans 12:10.

We wish to thank all members and visitors for attending services this past Sunday at Galilee Baptist Church. Pastor Davis spoke on the subject of faith. All present enjoyed the services. We are happy to have Mr. Anthony Atkinson join our music department. Mr. Atkinson serves our senior choir and is a native of Farmville.

On Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m., Dr. Harry Ferguson gave a very informative address on Black History. We enjoyed a large crowd and many guests.

There will be a special program presented at Galilee on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 3 p.m. The American Cancer Society will be in charge. All churches are asked to send as many members as possible so that they may take back information to other members. This meeting will deal with health care, regarding cancer, care and prevention.

We invite all to attend prayer meeting service at Galilee on each Wednesday night at 7 p.m. The last meeting was very spirited. Please come and bring several friends.

The family of the late Mrs. Lillie C. Stevens wishes to thank all friends for their cards, gifts and foods during the passing of their loved one. May God continue to bless you all bountifully.

Mrs. Beatrice Jones, of Newport News, Va., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Clara McFay. Let us remember all sick, shut-in and bereaved in our daily prayers.

It is our hope that you will have a pleasant week. Let's thank God for his goodness, to everyone. Love, Peace and Happiness.

ACS program at Galilee

The American Cancer Society will present a special, informative program at the Galilee Baptist Church on Sunday, Feb. 19, at 3 p.m.

Mrs. Sandy Brown, District Field Representative of the American Cancer Society will be in charge of the program.

The program will feature three films dealing with the various type of cancer and the treatment of each.

All churches are cordially invited.

Mt. Zion news

The Community Singers of Rustburg will be in concert at Mt. Zion Baptist Church this Sunday, Feb. 12, at 3 p.m. for the closing of the Pew Rally.

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Good News For Homemakers

Reading labels

By SHIRLEY W. WALTON
Extension Agent

Today, more than ever before, consumers want the best buy for their money when purchasing food. Many are becoming very conscious label readers. Persons with food allergies who bake at home should read labels very carefully to be sure they know what they are using. For example, most baking powders contain cornstarch and some contain egg white. Most margarines contain milk solids and many shortenings contain a mixture of vegetable fat. Whipped toppings may contain milk derivities such as lactose or sodium caseinate.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, you can buy special baking powders that do not contain cornstarch or egg. These can be purchased at special places such as health food stores or places in some areas that have products for persons who suffer various food allergies.

You can purchase milk-free margarine or use a vegetable shortening if it contains only the fats which the person with allergies can safely eat. Some vegetable shortenings list the vegetable fat used and others do not. You can also mix flours and starches suitable for baking.

Barley, corn, oat, rice and rye flours are milled from cereal grains. Potato flour is made from cooked potatoes. Sometimes you can get potato starch made from raw potatoes. The soy flour that is available for home use is generally milled from the whole bean.

Tapioca flour is the starch made from the fleshy root of the manioc or cassava plant. When you are baking, you will need to experiment with these ingredients, especially the flour substitutes.

Remember, whenever you are substituting, these are not wheat flours. Some products taste differently and behave differently chemically when they are mixed with other ingredients. For example, oat flour tends to produce a somewhat sticky feel in the month. Potato flour and soy flour are best in combination with other flours.

Rice flour gives a distinct graininess to baked products. Rye flour also has a slight amount of gluten which some people cannot tolerate. (We are finding more and more examples of persons who cannot tolerate gluten and this is why many persons look for substitutes in flours.) Barley and oat flours also contain a slight amount of gluten. With some experimentation, you can find the foods that you like that don't trigger any allergies.

If you have food allergies or have an intolerance for some foods, please write to the company if you are not sure what a label means. If you need to know how much of a certain ingredient is in a product, please ask and the food companies are most cooperative in sending you this type of information.

If you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call 352-8244 or you may write us at P.O. Box 488, Appomattox, VA 24522. It is always a pleasure to hear from you and to help you.

Have a good week!

Salute To Appomattox Girl Scouts

This week I would like to pay a special tribute to the Girl Scouts in Appomattox County. There are four Brownie Troops, with three in Appomattox and one in Pamplin; Two Junior Troops, one in Appomattox and one in Pamplin; and a Cadet and Senior Troop. We are extremely proud of the adult leaders who give generously of their time to help teach the Girl Scouts in our county ways to improve their family life, ways to improve their homemaking skills, camping skills, etc.

You probably have been contacted by a Scout member in the last few days or you soon will be concerning their cookie drive. This year is the 50th Anniversary of the cookie sale. In fact, the Scouts are calling it, "Our 50th Cookie Anniversary." As these young ladies come to your doors to sell cookies, we urge you to give your support and cooperation to the Girl Scouts in Appomattox County. Congratulations, girls and leaders!

RECIPE OF THE WHEAT
Hearty Oats 'N Wheat Loaves

A wholesome bread for toast, sandwich or dinner

2 to 2½ cups bread flour
1 cup rolled oats
2 teaspoons salt
3 pkgs. active dry yeast
1¾ cups water
½ cup corn syrup
⅓ cup margarine or butter
2 eggs (reserve 1 white)
2 cups whole wheat flour
1 cup medium rye flour
1 tablespoon water
4 teaspoons sesame seed

Generously grease two 8 x 4 or 9 x 5 inch loaf pans. Lightly spoon flour into measuring cup; level off. In large bowl, combine 1½ cups bread flour, oats, salt and yeast; blend well. In medium saucepan, heat water, corn syrup and margarine until very warm (120 to 130°F.) Add warm liquid and eggs to flour mixture. Blend at low speed until moistened; beat 3 minutes at medium speed. By hand, stir in whole wheat flour and rye flour to form a soft dough. On floured surface, knead in up to 1 cup bread flour until dough is smooth and elastic, about 10 minutes. Place dough in greased bowl; cover loosely with plastic wrap and cloth towel. Let rise in warm place (80 to 85°F.) until light and doubled in size, about 1 hour.

Punch down dough. Divide dough into 2 parts; shape into balls. Allow to rest on counter, covered with inverted bowl, for 15 minutes. Shape into 2 loaves. Place in prepared pans. Cover; let rise in warm place until light and doubled in size, about 1 hour. Combine reserved egg white and 1 tablespoon water; brush over loaves. Sprinkle with sesame seed.

Heat oven to 375°F. Bake 30 to 40 minutes or until loaves sound hollow when lightly tapped. Remove from pans immediately 2 loaves.

Miss Hollins engaged to marry

Miss Renessa Temple Doss

Miss Doss is engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ryland Doss of Gladstone, announce the engagement of their daughter, Renessa Temple Doss, to Victor M. Palacios, the son of Vilma Palacios, of El Savador.

Miss Doss is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and is employed by Floor Show.

Mr. Palacios is employed by Try Stray Dry Walls of Arlington, Va.

The wedding is planned for the afternoon of February 18 at 2 p.m. in the home of the bride's parents.

Although no invitations are being sent, family and friends of the couple are cordially invited to attend.

Miss Richeson will wed

Elizabeth Anderson Richeson of Route 2, Appomattox, Virginia, announces her engagement to William Henry Williamson of Route 4, Appomattox.

She is the daughter of the late Ralph P. and Leonard Wood Anderson, of Pleasant View, Amherst County. Bill Williamson is the son of Mrs. W. L. Williamson and the late Mr. Williamson of Appomattox.

A ceremony will be held at Red Oak Baptist Church in Oakville on Feb. 25, at 7 p.m. with Dr. Daniel Scott, pastor of Liberty Baptist Church, officiating.

Following the ceremony there will be a reception in the fellowship hall of the church.

Friends and relatives of the church are invited.

Woman's Club meets

The Woman's Club of Appomattox will meet on Saturday, Feb. 11, at 12 noon at the Heritage Inn. Members will order from the menu.

Ida P. Allen

Celebrates birthday

If you get a telephone call very early on the morning of your birthday, it could be Ida Allen calling to wish you a good day on your birthday. She's known around Appomattox as the Birthday Wall-Washer.

A member of Liberty Baptist Church Ida seems to keep track of the birthdays of many of the citizens and takes the time to remember them on their birthday.

Monday of this week was Ida's birthday and one of her friends thought it would be a nice gesture to wish her a happy birthday in the Times-Virginian. So, from her friends, Happy Birthday, Ida!

Finalist in pageant

Tambra Dawn Hamlet

Miss Tambra Dawn Hamlet, age 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Hamlet, has been selected to be a finalist in the 13th Annual Miss Virginia National Teen-ager Pageant to be held at the Holiday Inn Executive Center, Norfolk, on April 6, 7, and 8, 1984. There will be contestants from all over the state competing for the title. The Miss Virginia National Teen-ager Pageant if the Official State Finals to the Miss National Teen-ager Pageant to be held in August, 1984.

The winner of the state pageant will receive $1000.00 CASH, a full Barbizon Scholarship, other prizes and an all-expense paid trip to compete in the Miss National Teen-ager Pageant where she will compete for $20,000.00 in CASH Scholarships, a 1984 Mazda GLC, and other awards. Winners of the Citizenship Award will receive a $4000.00 Scholarship from Eckerd College. Scholarships are also provided by Milliken University, Oklahoma City University, Johnson & Wales College, and the National Teen-ager Foundation.

Each contestant in the State Pageant participates in the Volunteer Community Service program of the National Teen-ager Pageant. This program encourages teen-agers to participate in school and civic affairs. A Mini-Modeling Charm Course is taught during the pageant. Contestants will be judged on Scholastic Achievement-Leadership, Poise-personality, and Appearance. There is NO swimsuit competition. Talent may be presented at the option of the participant or an oral essay on the subject, "What's Right About America".

Valentine dance planned

Xi Gamma Tau sorority will sponsor a Valentine dance Feb. 10 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Avalon Club.

Cost of tickets to the event is $10 per couple. No one under age 21 will be allowed to attend.

Music will be provided by Chapter 9, and hors d'oeuvres will be served.

For ticket information contact Peggy Smith (352-7239), Vickie Lucado (352-7093) or Janice McCormick (352-7676) after 6 p.m. or Shelly Kitchen (969-4300) before noon.

The Fine Arts Committee of the club is in charge of the program.

Members are encouraged to attend.

UDC will meet Feb. 16

The Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of Confederacy will meet on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 11 a.m. at the Farmers National Bank in Triangle Plaza Shopping Center for the regular monthly meeting.

Members are urged to attend.

Social item

Mrs. Edna Anderson, Mrs. Janie Chernault, and Mrs. Audrey Waldo visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Hamlet of Farmville recently.

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AES plans African exhibit

Appomattox Elementary School will exhibit the display Western Africa from February 6 to February 20. Life in Western Africa is presented in 22 panels, each with photographs taken by a representative of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board. This show reflects a diversity of Africa Cultures. The public is cordially invited to view the exhibit from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

MRS. ANNIE COLE, of Route 1, Appomattox, will celebrate her 93 birthday on Thursday, February 9. Mrs. Cole is the mother of three sons; she has four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.(Photo by Frances Ablitt)

James E. Baxter, II places first in state

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James E. Baxter, II, Appomattox County native, and 1983 graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University placed first in Virginia among 1,567 students who took the 1983 Uniform Certified Public Accounting Examination.

Representatives from colleges and universities throughout the state were among those taking the exam.

Baxter's achievement marks the first time a VCU student has ever attained this honor.

For placing first in Virginia, Baxter received a Gold Medal from the Virginia Society of CPA's. In addition he was among the top 120 from the nation who took the exam. He received a certificate, with high distinction.

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